

ABSTRACT

Archaeological excavations at the Bernard Glatz House site (7NC-D-102) on Limestone Road (Route 7) in northern New Castle County, Delaware, recovered domestic and commercial artifacts, and identified features associated with a 19th and early 20th century occupation. Archival research indicated that the house site had been occupied by a cordwainer, Bernard Glatz, from 1833 to 1845. Comparisons of Glatz' economic standing with other tradesmen and farmers living in northern New Castle County during that time indicate that Glatz was not a prosperous man and that he ranked among the lower one-third of Mill Creek Hundred residents. Patterns of refuse deposition at the site were similar to those associated with 18th century occupations, even though the vast majority of the artifacts post-dated 1830. The Glatz property was probably part of a single street village which was emerging around the nearby Mermaid Tavern during the early 19th century.